

the ladder, fixed with an electrical current. It wouldn't budge.

"Well, the girls had gone to school, my husband had gone to work and there I stood. I could not let loose of this ladder," she chuckled. "It was about 9 in the morning, and I decided I couldn't possibly stand there all day."

With her left hand, Fuller grabbed the fingers of her right hand, carefully prying each one off the metal.

"They just stayed stiff until they were all off," she smiled. "I was kind of lucky that time."

Other times, she wasn't so lucky. A cow kick that led to knee surgery. A broken ankle. A torn rib cartilage from a fall off a ladder. The rigors of farm life.

"Once she rode her riding mower under a sign, but was looking behind her and forgot to duck," McIntyre recalled. "She hurt her neck quite a bit, but at the hospital the doctors couldn't read the X-rays of the bones in her neck to tell if anything had been broken because of so many arthritic changes in her bones."

Fuller wasn't one to complain.

"Mom always gave us the feeling that we could and should accomplish the next challenge before us," McIntyre added. "She demanded absolute honesty—always counted her change and checked the clerk's math, but would just as readily return an error in her favor as point out when she was short-changed."

"One tough mom," she added. "She's ours and we love her."

Ask Fuller where she finds strength, and she shrugs.

She doesn't give advice to others. She knows what she knows. And what she knows is work.

She'll tell you that she's slowed down. "Not nearly as active as I once was," Fuller insisted, a wistful note in her voice. But in the same breath, she talks about the tasks before her.

It's spring out at her place, with calla lilies unfurling and bleeding hearts and sword ferns awakening in the shade of towering fir trees. Tall grass stretches upward beneath gentle spring rain, a yard demanding to be mown.

There is a garden to plant, nearly an acre of raspberry bushes to tend, fruit trees in flower and a grape arbor that promises 40 to 50 quarts of grape juice this summer.

There are jobs to be done. And that's enough.●

#### TRIBUTE TO MR. JOHN C. GARDNER

● Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, it is my distinct pleasure to pay tribute to John C. Gardner, an exceptionally dedicated public servant. Mr. Gardner is retiring after ten years of service as the President of the Quad City Development Group, a public/private not-for-profit corporation. This organization promotes economic growth in and around the cities of Davenport and Bettendorf, Iowa, and Moline and Rock Island, Illinois. The Development Group markets these communities as locations for companies seeking to expand or relocate. It also works with Quad City communities to improve their climate for job creation.

Under his leadership, the Quad City Development Group has been the driving force behind the retention and addition of more than 14,000 jobs and the

investment of over \$1 billion in the Quad Cities area. John's leadership style, which was developed and honed in the private sector, was ideal for his position as the President of this vital community and business-based group.

I would like to take a moment to highlight John's career. Immediately before joining the Quad City Development Group, John was the director of economic development for Lee Enterprises, Inc., the owner of the Quad City Times and the Southern Illinoisan newspapers. Before that assignment, John was publisher of the Quad City Times for five years. He learned the newspaper business in a 23-year career as a reporter, editor and eventually publisher of The Southern Illinoisan newspaper in Carbondale, Illinois. He is active in a number of professional and community organizations, and has been involved in various statewide projects in both Iowa and Illinois. He is a member of the Iowa Group for Economic Development and was chairman of the Iowa Future project, a statewide strategic planning effort.

It gives me great pleasure to present the credentials of John C. Gardner to the Senate today. It is clear that the Iowa and Illinois communities he has served so well are losing a great talent. They will miss his leadership, his winning smile, and his personal and professional dedication. I would like to wish both John and his wife, Ann, the best in their retirement and continued success in all their future endeavors.●

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. THOMAS PILKINGTON

● Mr. ASHCROFT. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Thomas Pilkington as he retires from over thirty-six years of service to General Motors.

Tom began his career with General Motors in 1964 as a Suggestion Plan Investigator at the Chevrolet Motor Division Plant in Framingham, Massachusetts. Through hard work and determination, Tom achieved numerous promotions, including Interviewer and later Safety Inspector. In 1970, Tom was appointed Supervisor of Labor Relations at the Chevrolet Assembly Plant at Ypsilanti, Michigan, Supervisor of Salaried Personnel Administration in 1972, and later that year, he became Supervisor of Labor Relations. In 1973, Tom became General Supervisor of Labor Relations followed by General Supervisor of Industrial Relations in 1976. The following year, he was named Administrator of Labor Relations at the GMAD-Central office in Warren, Michigan. Within a month, he became Administrator of Salaried Personnel.

In October of 1977, Tom was named Personnel Director at the GMAD-Tarrytown plant in Tarrytown, New York, until his transfer in 1982 to Wentzville, Missouri, as Personnel Director.

Tom Pilkington's long tenure of service demonstrates his perseverance,

hard work and dedication. His outstanding service to General Motors over the years is truly admirable.

I urge the Senate to join me in congratulating Thomas Pilkington and wishing him, his wife, Marilee, and their family the very best as they move on to face new challenges, opportunities, and rewards.●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A treaty from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

#### TREATY REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a treaty from the President of the United States which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

A NOTICE CONTINUING THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO BURMA THAT WAS DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13047 OF MAY 20, 1997—A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 106

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice to the *Federal Register* for publication, stating that the emergency declared with respect to Burma is to continue in effect beyond May 20, 2000.

As long as the Government of Burma continues its policies of committing large-scale repression of the democratic opposition in Burma, this situation continues to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. For this reason, I have determined that it is necessary to maintain in force these emergency authorities beyond May 20, 2000.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, May 18, 2000.

A 6-MONTH PERIODIC REPORT ON THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO BURMA THAT WAS DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13047 OF MAY 20, 1997—A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 107

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